

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

Claims 1 – 21 (Cancelled)

22. (Currently Amended) An ink receiving medium comprising:

a nonwoven macroporous substrate having a fluid management system comprising a surfactant and having a pigment management system comprising a water-soluble multivalent metal salt having a metal cation selected from the group consisting of ~~Mg~~, Ti, Cr, ~~Zr~~, Fe, Cu, ~~Zn~~, Ta, ~~Ga~~, ~~Sn~~, and combinations thereof in contact with surfaces of macropores of the substrate therein, wherein the nonwoven macroporous substrate comprises fibers selected from the group consisting of cotton, flax, hemp, ramie, burlap, wool, silk, rayon, acrylic, polyolefin, polystyrene and block copolymers thereof with butadiene, polyester, polyamide, polyarylsulfones, poly(vinyl alcohol), poly(ethylene vinyl acetate), polyacrylates, polycarbonates, cellulosic polymers, polyimides, polyurethanes, and combinations thereof.

Claims 23 – 24 (Cancelled)

25. (Original) The ink receiving medium according to claim 22 wherein the macroporous substrate has an average pore size of from about 3 micrometers to about 5 millimeters.

26. (Previously Presented) The ink receiving medium according to claim 22 wherein said surfactant is non-ionic, cationic, anionic, or a combination of anionic and non-ionic surfactants.

27. (Previously Presented) The ink receiving medium according to claim 22 wherein said surfactant is selected from fluorochemical, silicone and hydrocarbon based surfactants, and combinations thereof.

28. (Previously Presented) The ink receiving medium according to claim 22 wherein the pigment management system further comprises an opacifying pigment.

29. (Currently Amended) The ink receiving medium according to claim 22 wherein said water-soluble multivalent metal salt is ~~gallium nitrate~~, ferrous sulfate, chromium sulfate, ~~zirconium sulfate~~, magnesium sulfophthalate, copper sulfophthalate, ~~zirconium sulfophthalate~~, ~~zirconium phthalate~~, ~~zinc sulfate~~, zinc acetate, zinc chloride, ~~calcium bromide~~, ~~magnesium sulfate~~, ~~magnesium chloride~~, or combinations thereof.

30. (Previously Presented) The ink receiving medium according to claim 22 wherein the surfactant is a hydrocarbon based anionic surfactant.

31. (Original) The ink receiving medium according to claim 30 wherein said surfactant comprises sodium salt of dioctyl sulfosuccinate.

32. (Cancelled)

33. (Currently Amended) An ink receiving medium comprising:

a nonwoven macroporous substrate having a fluid management system comprising a surfactant and having a pigment management system comprising a water-soluble multivalent metal salt selected from the group consisting of ~~aluminum sulfate~~, ~~aluminum nitrate~~, aluminum sulfophthalate, aluminum sulfoisophthalate, and combinations thereof in contact with surfaces of macropores of the substrate therein, wherein the nonwoven macroporous substrate comprises fibers selected from the group consisting of cotton, flax, hemp, ramie, burlap, wool, silk, rayon, acrylic, polyolefin, polystyrene and block copolymers thereof with butadiene, polyester, polyamide, polyarylsulfones, poly(vinyl alcohol), poly(ethylene vinyl acetate), polyacrylates, polycarbonates, cellulosic polymers, polyimides, polyurethanes, and combinations thereof.

34. (Previously Presented) The ink receiving medium according to claim 33 wherein the macroporous substrate has an average pore size of from about 3 micrometers to about 5 millimeters.
35. (Previously Presented) The ink receiving medium according to claim 33 wherein said surfactant is non-ionic, cationic, anionic, or a combination of anionic and non-ionic surfactants.
36. (Previously Presented) The ink receiving medium according to claim 33 wherein said surfactant is selected from fluorochemical, silicone and hydrocarbon based surfactants, and combinations thereof.
37. (Previously Presented) The ink receiving medium according to claim 33 wherein the pigment management system further comprises an opacifying pigment.
38. (Previously Presented) The ink receiving medium according to claim 33 wherein the surfactant is a hydrocarbon based anionic surfactant.
39. (Previously Presented) The ink receiving medium according to claim 33 wherein said surfactant comprises sodium salt of dioctyl sulfosuccinate.
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